


Group plans its next steps

Marrissa Wright, 20, listed as homeless, was charged with prostitution and confined in the Pottawatomie County Jail.

"It's fun, and it's not too time consuming. We understand people have busy schedules," Boos said. "Every little bit helps, and it's a good way to give back and help the cancer research center here on campus."

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5 Lower limbs

6 Irrefutable evidence

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8 Virgo neighbor

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10 Inseparable

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57 Have bills

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12 Computer programs

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27 Gull's cousin

28 "Piano Man" singer

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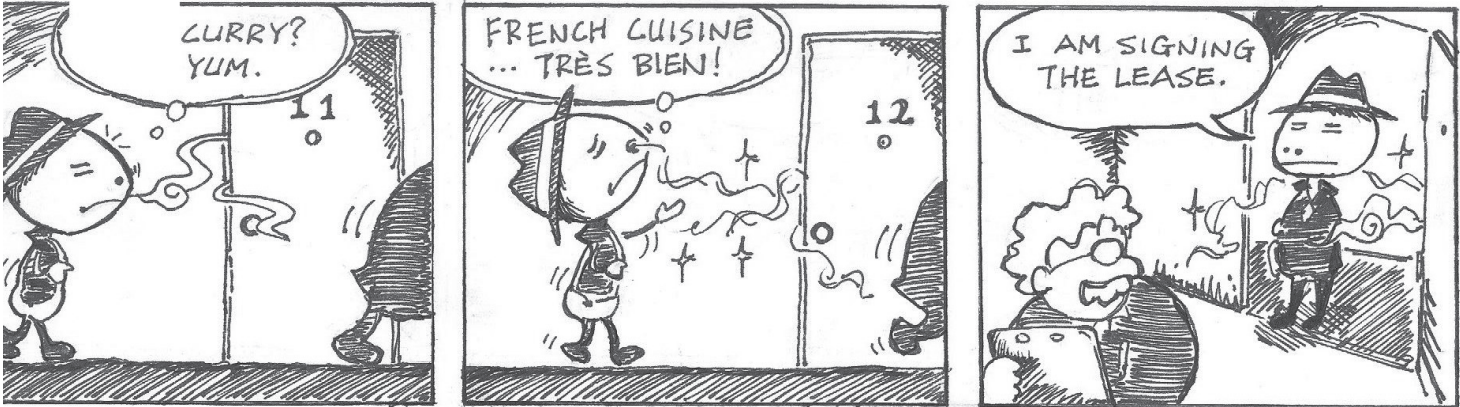
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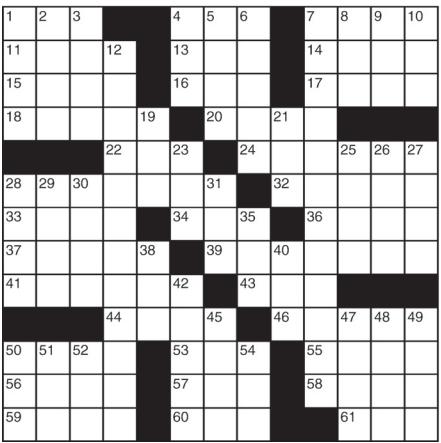
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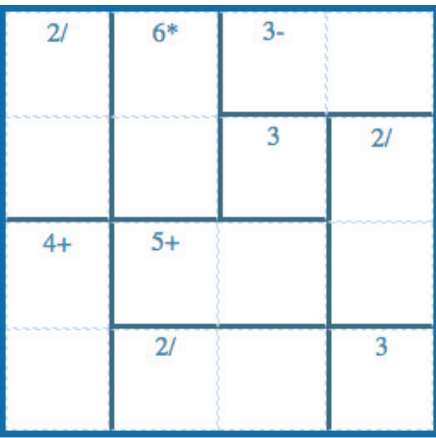
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Hi, my name is David Baker, I was your Wildcat Baseball coach from '78-'83. Congrats to the 'Cats' St. Valentine's Day Massacre over KU. This is a picture of my friend and I growing up in Manhattan.



I want to recommend my friend Stan Hoerman for City Commission. He deserves your vote on April 5th (he's the one without the shirt).
Paid for by Stan Hoerman

Saturday a chance to thank Wildcat seniors



On Saturday, senior guard Jacob Pullen and senior forward Curtis Kelly will walk across the court. Family members will greet the players. It's one last chance for the home crowd to honor their accomplishments and highlight their achievements. Pullen has been at K-State for four years. Fans have watched the 17-year-old boy mature in to a man.

Under head coach Frank Martin's watchful eye, Pullen grew. Suffice it to say, Pullen's freshman year was rocky. Martin glared, stomped and cursed at Pullen. Their encounters were legendary. Martin called Pullen more names than the dictionary had pages for. Here we sit four years later, and Pullen is going to go down as the greatest player K-State has ever produced.

There will be plenty of argument about the previous statement, but Pullen, along with fellow 2007 class members Michael Beasley and Bill Walker, rose a K-State program from the grave. All of the other jerseys hanging in the Bramlage Coliseum rafters were products of the good times — the glory years, if you will — of K-State basketball.

Instead, Pullen, an under-sized shooting guard who was forced to play point guard this year, has done nothing but win. In four years, Pullen has been to the NCAA tournament twice and will likely make a third trip this year. Prior to Pullen's arrival, K-State had been to three NCAA tournaments in 20 years.

He has been criticized all year long about his inability to lead. Pullen, not one for a loose tongue, made a couple rare responses. He tweeted about the university's bandwagon fans and, after a home loss to Colorado, "refused" to play in the NIT. None of us are perfect, but in Pullen's four years, the senior has been very close. Hopefully, people can forgive this season's transgressions and look at the guard's career as a whole.

On the other side, there is Kelly. Kelly has been an up-and-down player throughout his entire college career. It started with the transfer from Connecticut. Then, there was the NCAA tournament breakout last season. There was the impermissible benefits and six-game suspension.

Kelly's senior season at K-State has been nothing short of a roller coaster ride. Most fans are frustrated by Kelly's endless potential. This potential has been married to emotional outbursts and a plethora of dumb mistakes.

In the game against Nebraska on Wednesday, Kelly picked up his first foul in the second half. With under four minutes to play, Kelly picked up his fifth foul. He flew in for a block on Jorge Brian Diaz. Instead of making a spectacular play, Kelly walked over to the bench and was met with Martin's glare. This is Kelly's career. It is an incessant ride of admiration and disappointment.

Yet without Kelly, K-State loses its best post defender and a guy who does all the small things right. For most, Kelly is just a talented kid who never got it. Instead, I see it as a guy who enjoys playing the game of basketball.

On Saturday, just this once, the king and the jester will share the same kingdom when they go against Iowa State.

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THE ROAD AHEAD

Wildcats look for ninth conference win in Austin

Ashley Dunkak
senior staff writer

Frank Martin always talks about how unbelievable the Big 12 Conference is, how no team can go on the road and think it has an easy game or that it can just glide past a statistically inferior opponent.

Right now, no team has felt the gravity of that fact more than No. 5 Texas, who has played on the road two of its last three games and lost both times, at Nebraska and at Colorado.

The Longhorns (24-5, 12-2 Big 12) have been dominant all season, going undefeated in the Big 12 until the Huskers knocked them off on Feb. 19. Today, the team that has spent the season in first place in the Big 12 will be back on its home court, and more than likely its players will be wanting to wipe the memory of their Saturday loss to the Buffaloes and replace it with a more victorious image.

That's the environment the Wildcats will be walking into for the 8 p.m. game. When asked about Texas at the post-game press conference of the Missouri game, Martin got an exhausted, almost pained expression, and wiped his hand down his face.

"They're the most physical team that we will play against," Martin said. "They guard you, they sit down and defend you, they rebound it and they're going to throw that thing at the rim every single play."

The coach said an opponent of Texas has to be firm defending on the perimeter and keep the ball away from passing areas so the Longhorns cannot throw into the post, and defense in the post has to be strong as well because Texas will challenge the defense inside.

"They're going to keep throwing it in there, and it's going to be a physical game," Martin said.

The Longhorns' capable cast is led by sophomore Jordan Hamilton, who averages 18.8 points per game and 7.5 rebounds per game. Freshman forward Tristan Thompson and senior forward Gary Johnson both add right about 12 points per game and seven



Sophomore guard **Martavious Irving** drives around a Missouri defender Saturday afternoon. The K-State men's basketball team defeated the Missouri Tigers 80-70 in Bramlage Coliseum. The Wildcats play Texas tonight at 8.

rebounds per game, and freshman guard Corey Joseph often contributes in double figures as well.

K-State senior guard Jacob Pullen has been watching lots of film on Texas, trying to figure out why the team is so stingy defensively. Overall, he said, they really protect the rim, and their defense leads into their offense. The Longhorns are also effective in transition.

All that is not to say that K-State has no chance. After a topsy-turvy season,

the Wildcats felled then-No. 1 Kansas to kick off a four-game winning streak. Pullen, one of two seniors on the roster, has led the team in each of those contests and is averaging 29 points per game during that stretch. Accompanying him is a bevy of talented guards, but the team is a little thinner in the frontcourt, where the rotation consists mainly of senior Curtis Kelly, junior Jamar Samuels and sophomore Jordan Henriquez-Roberts. Sometimes sophomore guard Rodney McGruder plays

in the paint as well, as he is the leading rebounder on the team with 6.2 per game.

Last season, the Longhorns came into Bramlage Coliseum ranked No. 1 and fell to the Wildcats. So today, Texas is looking to get back in the saddle after recent losses, and K-State has its sights set on what would be its ninth conference win of the season. As the game is televised on ESPN's Big Monday, millions will see which team will get what it wants.

Coach: Women's team struggled offensively in loss

Chris Wallace
senior staff writer

A strong crowd of 6,029 Wildcat fans could not will their team to victory on Saturday, as K-State fell to Iowa State 58-51 at Bramlage Coliseum.

"Obviously, it was a very disappointing game for us on the offensive end of the floor," head coach Deb Patterson said. "The ineffectiveness that we had down there was the biggest frustration for us on the night. We continued to get great play out of Jalana (Childs) down there, but I felt like that we just really struggled to find ways to score and pretty ineffective in our overall execution. That is something that we have to just keep bringing in the gym and continue to work hard on and try to find some answers."

The game got off to a great start for the Wildcats. By utilizing the offensive skills of Childs, a junior forward, the Wildcats made some shots and built an 8-5 advantage going into the first-media timeout.

However, that's when the game started to change for the



Branshea Brown, junior forward, drives toward the basket as she steps over **Chelsea Poppens**, Iowa State sophomore forward, during the game against the Cyclones on Saturday in Bramlage Coliseum. The Wildcats lost 58-51.

Wildcats on the offensive end. The team made two field goals in the next six-plus minutes, and the Cyclones capitalized, gaining a 12-10 lead after two made free throws from sophomore guard Jessica Schroll.

The lead switched hands several more times throughout the half. Neither team seemed to build any momentum, and although Iowa State held a 26-22 advantage going into halftime, there was a sense that the Wild-

cats still had a chance to win.

Childs was the key player for K-State in the first half with 10 points. Sophomore guard Taelor Karr also added seven points during the half. But the individual stats were not the real story for the Wildcats. The overall shooting percentage was at 35.7 percent, and the team failed to connect on six 3-point shots during the half. Iowa State got to the free-throw line more consistently and held a 7-2 advantage in made free throws.

"I thought that the lack of dropping down the three-ball tonight was big but I am not sure that we worked real smart and hard to create opportunities to get them," Patterson said. "The reality is that we could be on the locker room for 20 minutes talking about how bad our offense is, but sometimes you over-analyze the fact that you make things more difficult than they are or you are looking for short cuts

In order to come back and win the game, the Wildcats were going to have to ramp up the defense and continue to bottle senior guard Kelsey Bolte. Bolte,

the team's leading scorer entering the game with 17.6 points per game, was held to just two points in the first half. Bolte made four three-pointers in the second half, and the Wildcats had no one to match her output.

"I think we did a great job in the first half," Karr said. "I believe we held (Bolte) to only two points in the first half, so we did a nice job. But just like coach said, there was a spurt where she hit two or three in-a-row and a lot of that is my fault. It is disappointing because we know she is their main player, their go-to star.

"We knew we were going to have to shut her down and in the end, we did not do that. She had 19 points and hit some shots, and I will take that on my shoulders."

Childs was the team leader in points with 18 points, Karr added 12 and sophomore guard Brittany Chambers added 10. Karr also stepped up and added nine rebounds and seven assists.

On Wednesday, the team will take on No. 5 Texas A&M at Bramlage Coliseum. Tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Baseball team earns split at four-game tournament

Justin Nutter
sports editor

After coming from behind to defeat Coastal Carolina 5-4 on Friday, the K-State baseball team dropped two of its next three for a four-game split at the Caravelle Resort's Baseball at the Beach Tournament in South Carolina. The 2-2 showing puts the Wildcats at 5-2 on the year after a seven-game, season-opening road trip.

WESTERN KENTUCKY 11, K-STATE 3 (Friday)

Designated hitter Wade Hinkle gave the Wildcats a quick 3-0 lead with a home run in the first inning, but Western

Kentucky responded with three home runs of its own to hand the Wildcats their first loss of the season in Conway, S.C.

Despite working with a three-run lead in the first frame, K-State starter Matt Applegate started to come unraveled in the early-going. The Hilltoppers cut the deficit to one when catcher Matt Rice knocked a double to left center, and they plated three more off the Wildcat pitcher in the third to go up for good. Applegate settled down and pitched into the fifth inning, but could not finish the frame. He ended his day with five earned runs in 4.2 innings of work.

Offensively, K-State had trouble getting much going after Hinkle's homer. The Wildcats

were held to just four hits and no runs after the first inning.

K-STATE 6, PACIFIC 2 (Saturday)

Looking to bounce back from their first season loss, the Wildcats took to the field on Saturday against a team they had already defeated three times this year in Pacific. K-State got the better of the Tigers once again, handing them a 6-2 defeat in Conway.

K-State starter Justin Lindsey gave up a run in the first inning to quickly fall behind 1-0 in the contest. But Lindsey's offense gave him the lead back in the second when designated hitter Ross Kivett drove in third baseman Jason King

on an RBI groundout and first baseman Matt Giller scored on a wild pitch. King silenced any thoughts of a Pacific comeback when he belted a three-run home run in the sixth inning.

After his first-inning mishap, Lindsey settled down and did not allow a run over the next three innings. His final stat line — four innings pitched, two hits allowed and one earned run — was good for his first season win.

CALIFORNIA 8, K-STATE 1 (Sunday)

K-State starter Levi Schlik did enough to keep his team in the tournament finale, but lack of offensive production doomed the Wildcats in an 8-1 loss to

California in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Schlik and Golden Bear starter Justin Jones both gave up a run in the first inning, but neither team crossed the plate again over the next three innings. A Wildcat fielding error in the fifth proved costly, as it allowed two California baserunners to score in the inning.

King drove in K-State's only run on a sac fly in the opening frame, but it was another quiet day for the Wildcats' bats. California pitching held K-State to just four hits in the contest.

The Wildcats return to action on Friday when they welcome Western Illinois to Tointon Family Stadium for a four-game series. Friday's first pitch is set for 3 p.m.

K-State Athletic Schedule: Feb 28 - March 6

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Men's Basketball at Texas 8:00 p.m. in Austin, TX. (Live on ESPN)	Women's Golf at Sir Pizza Cards Challenge	Women's Basketball vs. Texas A&M 7:00 p.m. in Bramlage Coliseum (Senior Day)		Tennis vs. Houston 2:00 p.m. at Body First Tennis and Fitness Center. Baseball vs. Western Illinois 3:00 p.m. at Tointon Family Stadium (Home opener)	Men's Basketball vs. Iowa State 12:30 p.m. at Bramlage Coliseum (Senior Day) Women's Basketball at Kansas 6:30 p.m. in Lawrence (Live on FSN) Baseball vs. Western Illinois 1:00 p.m.	Tennis vs. Wichita State 1:00 p.m. in Hutchinson, KS. Baseball vs. Western Illinois 1:00 p.m.

STREET TALK

Has K-State earned a spot in the NCAA tourney? Why?

"I hope so."



Kodai Yoshizawa
SOPHOMORE IN BUSINESS

"Yes, because they beat KU."



Reed Maxwell
LAWRENCE RESIDENT

"Yes, we won six games in a row and beat KU the No. 1 ranked team."



Jason McKinsie
MANHATTAN RESIDENT

"Yeah, because we won six in a row and beat KU."



Alexis Cardenas
MANHATTAN RESIDENT

"Yeah, if we play well in the Big 12 tournament and we beat KU."



Alison Percy
FRESHMAN IN
ANIMAL SCIENCES AND INDUSTRY

"I think definitely after a signature win against Kansas."



Grant Weber
FRESHMAN IN CONSTRUCTION SCIENCE AND
MANAGEMENT

"Yeah I think we did at this point. We're just playing for a better seed."



Brett Weber
JUNIOR IN SECONDARY EDUCATION

"Yes, I think they've earned their spot for sure."



Ross Broxterman
FRESHMAN IN CONSTRUCTION SCIENCE AND
MANAGEMENT

"I think with the past couple of games, yeah, and if they keep playing like they have been."



D.J. Radford
JUNIOR IN GERMAN

To read more about the men's basketball team, check out sports for a preview of tonight's game against Texas.

AC-CLIMATE

Mother Nature adapts, finds way to perpetuate life



Illustration by Erin Logan



Balasubramany Meenakshisundaram

Everybody for the past couple of decades have been talking about global warming, greenhouse gases, destroying the ozone layer, carbon's life cycle and other similar, scary scientific terms about our doom.

But what degree of truth is there behind these fears? How much of it is real and how much made up? Will we really bring about the end of the world as we know it?

It is true that our actions do affect the atmosphere and hence the weather cycles. We are already seeing subtle changes in the weather patterns; hotter summers, extended periods of winter, fiercer storms and polar ice melts.

But the real question is whether all these seemingly bad signs might

actually lead to the end of life on this planet.

The earth's population is far greater than what we had a few decades ago. This, combined with the advancements in technology and medical sciences, resulting in longer and healthier life for the average human being, only implies more life-sustaining resources like food and water. And with the technology available to convert sea water into drinking water implemented in some countries already, the excess and seemingly dangerous water in the seas could be used to sustain the population the earth holds today and in the future.

According to www.howstuffworks.com, even though about 70 percent of the earth's surface is covered with water, only 2 percent of it is fresh and 1.6 percent is locked up as ice at the poles. Another 0.36 percent is found in aquifers and wells, and this leaves about 0.036 percent in the rivers and lakes of the world. Although this is a lot of water, it is evident that fresh water is a very rare resource and a dwindling one at that.

Also, hotter summers means more evaporation of ocean water in hotter places, which means more pre-

cipitation, thereby replenishing the depleted ground water reserves. So, one way or the other, the excess water just might get used up in the cycle and things might still hit a point of stability in a weird, seemingly unbalanced way.

In a June 8, 2010, Discovery News article, environmental scientist David Keith said, "The fact is that if the science is all correct, and I think there's no reason to doubt the basic science, and if humans want to actually deal with this problem, then we're going to have to stop emitting CO₂." According to the same Discovery News article, at the present rate of emission of CO₂, we will heat up the earth to how it was 55 million years ago.

But have we considered this? According to an Oct. 19, 2003, article on The Insider, we are expected to face a production crunch in oil and natural gas sometime between 2010 and 2020. This would mean that oil would turn out to be a luxury sometime within the next decade or so. And considering that most of the CO₂ emissions are from burning fossil fuels like coal and oil, Mother Nature is well on her way to a self-induced balance in the process thereby eventually bringing it back

to equilibrium. Once the fossil fuels are all used up, the carbon emissions are bound to go down. Also, man's technological advancements will hopefully ensure the existence of the human race beyond the age of fossil fuels.

So, I would say global warming and carbon emissions will not eventually bring about the watery end that has been predicted by various spiritual texts. One has to consider that life existed on this planet long before man came into existence and would probably continue long after man is gone. Our actions, although huge, are probably not huge enough to bring about a global apocalypse.

All said and done, this does not mean we can continue to pollute the earth and plunder her resources unchecked. As a superior life form, I think we have the responsibility to utilize resources in a wise and less obtrusive way so that we can make life more pleasant and peaceful for our future generations to come and protect the sanctity of our home.

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Posting location online broadcasts absence, makes stalking easy



Karen Ingram

I'm alarmed at how accessible everyone is becoming. It's not just Google maps and webcams I'm worried about, as many of these things are out of our control and just all around us. No, I'm talking about individual people choosing to broadcast their lives to the world using technology.

Cyberstalking is easy when you live in a world of cyberexhibitionists. People broadcast everything they do on Twitter, post their phone numbers and address on Facebook or use their smartphone to "check in" whenever they enter a building on campus. Somebody with questionable moral values could easily use this information to track your movements, learn your daily patterns and habits and use it to their benefit. Break into your dorm room or apartment, for example, when they know you won't be around. Worst case scenario, this information could be used to stalk and rape or kill somebody.

Is this just the paranoia talking? Perhaps, but I would like to believe I'm thinking in realistic terms here.



Illustration by Erin Logan

We have locks on our doors for a reason. The world is an imperfect place filled with people who commit crimes if given the chance to. If you are in the habit of leaving your door unlocked all the time, you will eventually have your stuff stolen.

Police reports are frequently filled with examples of people losing wallets, cell phones, laptops and other valuables because they left them in an unlocked car, or because somebody went to the store and didn't lock their apartment. Thieves are opportunists by nature. That's a fact.

Ask any cop or insurance company.

So let's say you tweet five times a day and post information about that vacation to Mexico you'll be taking during Spring Break. Let's say one of those 200 plus people you've friended on Facebook logs on and sees you're using Places to show you're attending a party a good two hours' drive away. How long do you think it would take before somebody decides to take advantage of such information? Stupid people, particularly those with some money, make mighty tempting targets.

There is nothing illegal about sharing your entire life with the world. The choice is up to you, but taking such risks is the same as not wearing a helmet on a motorcycle, not wearing a seatbelt in a car, not using protection when you have sex or not brushing your teeth. Chances are, nothing will come of it, but you are still gambling. If you keep rolling the dice long enough, you'll get snake eyes.

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K-State’s ties to Italy featured in art exhibit

Hayley Henry
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“Ciao,” “Grazie” and “Scusi” are just a few of the phrases that students in the College of Architecture, Planning and Design learn on the Italian Study Abroad Program. Students in this college are given the option to study abroad during the fourth year of the program. In 2010, 62 students chose to study abroad. The program has been offered for more than 20 years. In celebration of this cultural expansion, The Manhattan Arts Center is hosting an exhibition called “The Italian Connection.”

The exhibition will highlight students’ drawings, photographs, sketchbooks and visuals completed during their study abroad experience. Additionally, sketches and watercolors produced by numerous faculty members who accompanied the students on the study abroad will be available as well. The exhibition will also feature an authentic collection of Italian artifacts, including posters, books, pottery, flags, clothing, music, accessories, furnishings, a Pinocchio collection, a bicycle and a motor scooter.

“I wanted an exhibition to showcase the work of K-State students and to showcase my personal interest in everything Italian,” said Carole Chelz, the exhibition curator.

Chelz spent four months in Italy when her husband, Tony Chelz, accompanying students on the study abroad experience.

“Italians are very aware of where they are from,” Chelz said. “Every region has its own identity.”

Chelz enjoys all aspects of the Italian culture and has many artifacts in the exhibition.

“Many of the artifacts in the exhibition came from my house, but the pottery was borrowed,” Chelz said.

Chaperoning this cultural experience for architectural students has made Chelz more aware of the Italian landscape.

“Italians utilize and respect all of the landscape,” Chelz said. “There is a strict way of maintaining the country’s landscape. When an Italian wants to fix an older building, the blue prints must remain the same from the original building.”

Increased interest in this study abroad experience has developed two programs at Orvieto and Castiglione Fiorentino.

“My favorite part of the study abroad experience is being immersed in the culture,” said Brooke Swercinski, graduate student in architecture. “It is a different experience living in a culture opposed to just visiting.”

Swercinski studied abroad through the Orvieto program.

“The students’ experience of studying in unfamiliar environments heightens cultural and historical awareness and broadens professional horizons,” said Lynn Ewanow, associate dean and director of international programs for the College of Architecture, Planning and Design.

NOVELIST | Writer provides insight to characters

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Baltimore was not a single industry town like Pittsburgh. He said Baltimore seemed too complicated a setting because there were racial tensions that would possibly complicate the story. Those racial tensions developed from different migrations coming in and out of the city. Setting the story near Pittsburgh fit better, he said, because it was a one company valley.

As for telling the story from the different points of view of his characters, Meyer said that the audience gets a sense of each character as a person by reading from the character’s point of view rather than simply reading them as characters in a book.

“All these people are focused on their own problems,” Meyer said. “You see how much each one of their individual decisions affects everyone around them.”

Perhaps Meyer’s greatest challenge in writing “American Rust” was his section on Grace and writing from a woman’s point of view.

“You find some thread and latch on to it and use that to pull yourself inside a person’s psyche or consciousness and once you found that thing that you really

understand about them, at that moment it becomes much easier,” Meyer said.

The audience seemed pulled into each excerpt Meyer read. The theater was silent except for Meyer’s voice humbly reading his own work.

“I thought I was reading a real Greek tragedy,” said Jerome Dees, former professor in the English department. “There was a sense of inevitability in the narrative and the characters had brought on their own fate, so to speak.”

“His chapter from the point of view of Gracie, I thought, was an interesting exercise of inhab-

iting the character and his projections of desires were pretty interesting,” said Dan Hornsby, a senior in English.

“American Rust” was a Washington Post Top Ten Book in 2009, a New York Times Notable Book, an Economist “Book of the Year” and a top 100 book in the Kansas City Star.

Meyers said he saw this story as being one about two guys. It gradually shifted to the story it is now.

“This is one of those things where you have a feeling and you kind of have to go with it, which is what, pretty much, all of writing is now,” he said.

RECAP | Martin: Younger players key to victory

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“Martavious made some big plays and they all had confidence,” Pullen said.

K-State took a 41-38 lead into the locker room after Missouri fought to get a last bucket down in the post but could not convert. After Pullen’s resurgent first two minutes of the first half, he ended with 15 points and three 3-pointers at halftime. Missouri was led by Laurence Bowers, who chipped in 12 points. As junior forward Jamar Samuels had said earlier in the season, the Wildcats were “not” thieves in the first half, recording zero steals, while Missouri had five. K-State was also 5-of-11 from the charity stripe. During the break, the 1950-51 men’s basketball Final Four team was honored. Head coach Tex Winter led the team to a 25-4 record with one loss in the then Big Seven Conference.

The second half opened up completely different than the first. The game had been physi-

cal throughout, and it was not helping the Wildcats favor in the early minutes. A lot of loose balls and hard fought rebounds by the Tigers helped them to a 6-3 run led by Bowers’s four points and an easy layup by Kim English.

The bartering of baskets continued for the first five minutes of the second half, and Henriquez-Roberts was having problems avoiding foul calls.

Nonetheless, senior forward Curtis Kelly extended the team’s lead chipping in six straight points, helping the Wildcats go on an 11-2 run. Spradling also knocked down an open 3-pointer, once again forcing another Tigers timeout when the going got tough for them.

K-State was also using the shot clock well and using its new offensive set to diminish the Tigers defense. On the defensive end for the team, they were blocking shots, suffocating Missouri’s offense down low.

“Curtis played with unbelievable energy and focus,” Martin

said. “Those are his two biggest challenges, and I thought he was really good with that today.”

With a little more than eight minutes left in the game, K-State was clinging to a 58-56 lead after Missouri’s Phil Pressey converted on two free throws. To make things a bit worse, Pullen was called for an inadvertent fourth foul while sliding to the ground for the ball. Head coach Frank Martin was livid by the call and let the officials know about it.

Like the first half, the younger guards stepped up in Pullen’s absence. Spradling and McGruder combined for 12 points over seven minutes. Russell also helped out, driving down the lane and getting fouled on a layup attempt and converting both free throws. K-State had a 69-60 lead, as part of a 9-0 run with less than four minutes to go.

“We had some turnovers during that stretch,” Anderson said. “K-State protects their home turf in a great atmosphere.”

Martin said the young players were a big part in helping the team get a win.

“Our bench has been good all year,” Martin said. “They’ve played consistently, and I’m proud of those guys getting it done without Jacob in there.”

Pullen came back into the game after a timeout and knocked down two key free throws to give the team a 71-62 lead. K-State closed out the game on a 20-10 run and won the game by 10 points.

Pullen finished the game and led the team with 24 points, while Kelly had 15 points and six rebounds. Marcus Denmon led Missouri with 22 points, while Bowers contributed 16 points and nine rebounds.

“I hope when I look at the standings tomorrow morning it will look good,” Kelly said. “We are trying to get that bye in the Big 12 Tournament and hopefully the outcome will be successful.”

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